# CBER Update: Advertising and Promotional Labeling Branch (APLB)

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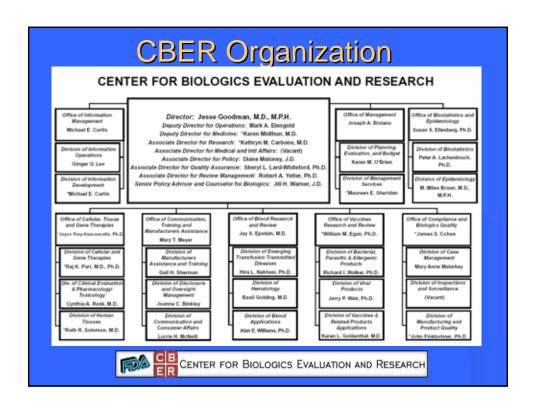
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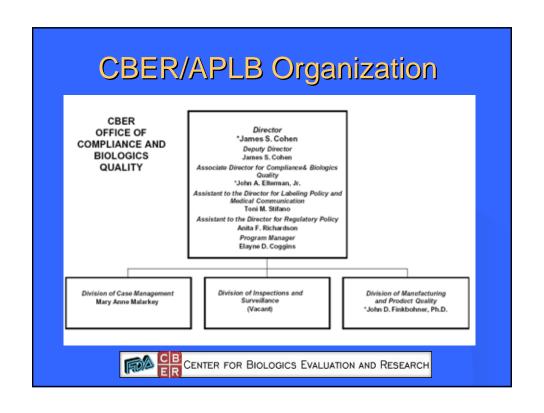


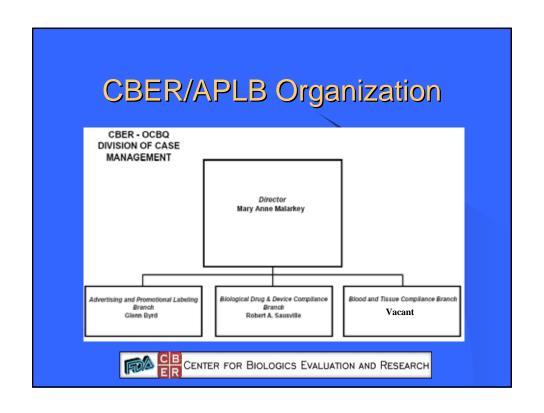
# Agenda

- Overview of APLB
- Review Enforcement Actions and Examples
- > DTC Guidance Documents
- > APLB Priorities









## **APLB Staff**

- ➤ Glenn Byrd, MBA, RAC Chief
- Nancy Chamberlin, Pharm.D.
- Maryann Gallagher
- Yongkai Weng, Ph.D.
- ➤ Bob Stevenson, on 60-day detail



### **Current Work in APLB**

#### Routine Activities - same as DDMAC:

- Launch and accelerated approval materials
- Advisory and surveillance review of direct-toconsumer broadcast and print ads
- Monitor promotional surveillance materials and internet sites
- Review and act on complaints



## **Current Work in APLB**

#### **Unique to CBER:**

- Proprietary name reviews as consults to each product office (OBRR, OVRR, OCTGT)
- Blood donor incentives proposed programs and complaints



#### **APLB Enforcement FY-04**

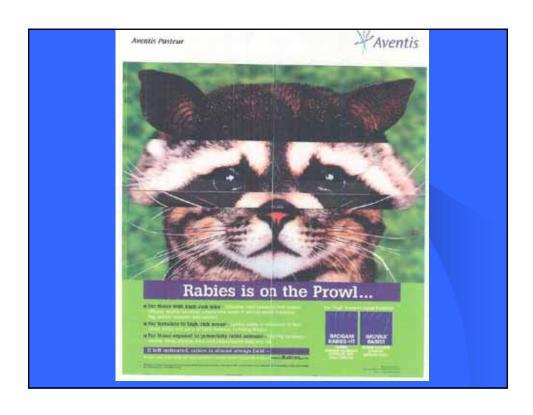
- Untitled Letters five (5) issued
  - ☐ A *Haemophilus* b and Hepatitis B Vaccine Comvax, Merck.
  - □ A vaccine product for treatment and prophylaxis of carcinoma in situ (CIS) of the urinary bladder TheraCys, Aventis Pasteur.
  - □ A blood product for control and prevention of hemorrhagic episodes and surgical prophylaxis in patients with hemophilia A ReFacto, Wyeth.
  - □ Vaccine products for treatment of suspected exposure to rabies (Imogam) or for possible rabies exposure and pre-and post-exposure treatment of rabies Imogam/Imovax, Aventis Pasteur.
  - □ A vaccine for the active immunization against typhoid fever Typhim Vi, Aventis Pasteur.

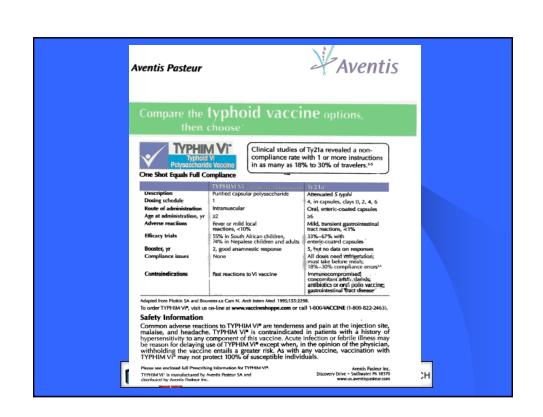


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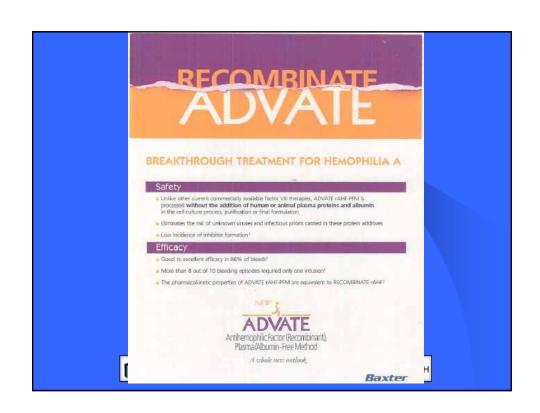
- Warning Letters three (3) issued
  - □ A blood product for treatment of primary immunodeficiency diseases, B-cell chronic lymphocytic leukemia, idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura, and Kawasaki Syndrome Polygam S/D, Baxter Healthcare.
  - □ A blood product for treatment of classical hemophilia Advate, Baxter Healthcare.
  - ☐ A fibrin sealant indicated as an adjunct to hemostasis in patients undergoing liver surgery Crosseal, Omrix biopharmaceuticals.
- All CBER Enforcement letters are posted at: www.fda.gov/cber/efoi/adpromo.htm











# **Description of Problems**

- Complete omission of risk from the body of the item
- False or misleading safety claims
  - ☐ Use of subjective terminology, e.g., "unsurpassed...safety", without supportive data
- False or misleading comparative claims
  - ☐ False statements regarding a competing product
  - ☐ Claims that a competing product does not comply with recommended dosing/immunization schedules



## **Description of Problems**

- > False or misleading effectiveness claims
  - ☐ Overstating the approved indication for use
  - ☐ Presentation of effectiveness data not supported by substantial evidence
  - ☐ Claims of long-term effectiveness based upon "estimated" data
  - ☐ Use of subjective terminology, e.g., "fast", without supportive data



## Three DTC Guidances

- Three (3) new draft guidances released on 2/4/04 for public review and comment
- Comment period re-opened for an additional 90-days on 6/1/04



## **APLB Priorities**

- Continue 100% real-time review of surveillance submissions (FDA Form 2253/2567 submissions)
- Vigorous enforcement action
- Work interactively with industry
- APLB Contact Info
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